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Attorney's Docket No. 020755-016



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) **BOX: AF**
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Catherine GERDIL *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 1648
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Application No.: 09/402,357) Examiner: Laurie Scheiner
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Filed: December 29, 1999)
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For: TITRATION METHOD FOR A)
COMPLEX VIRAL COMPOSITION)

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (248) ☐ \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.

☒ Also enclosed: Attachment to Reply & Amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
Notice of Appeal.

☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
☐ \$370.00 (270) ☐ \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted , on , for which continued examination is requested.

☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least __, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(m)

☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	6	MINUS 20 =	0	$\times \$18.00 (103) =$	0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	$\times \$84.00 (102) =$	0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (104)					
Total Amendment Fee					0.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					0.00

☐ A claim fee in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.


☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R § 1.116

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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in complete response to the *final* Official Action dated September 13, 2001 (Paper No. 8). A three-month extension of time has been requested and the corresponding fee paid extending the time period of response until March 13, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1 and 6 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A method for determining the virus quantity of